

Holly Porter's Bio

Holly Porter became the first female Executive Director of the Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. on January 1, 2019. She was hired in 2017 as the Assistant Executive Director and in that role, she focused on membership development, advocating for the chicken industry, government affairs and the transition to her current position.

Prior to 2017, she was the Deputy Principal Assistant at the Delaware Department of Agriculture (DDA), where she was responsible for coordinating the strategic and legislative policy initiatives for DDA in partnership with the Secretary, as well as following all national policies to determine the impact on Delaware agriculture. She was also the co-director of LEADelaware, an agricultural and natural resources leadership development program.

Holly's career in agriculture started as a marketing specialist at MidAtlantic Farm Credit (MAFC), where she was responsible for event planning, strategic planning, advertising, internal communications, market research, social media and more.

She is a graduate of Marymount University in Arlington, Va., with a BA in communications, is an alumni of LEAD Maryland Class VII and currently sits on the Mid-Atlantic Regional Women in Ag committee.

Holly was raised on a part-time cash grain farm in Caroline county, MD and spent many summers baling hay and straw with her family. She now spends her summers visiting Chincoteague, VA, boating and enjoying time with her two daughters.